

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re original application of:

Applicants

Constantine J. Tsikos et al.

Application Serial No.:

09/883,130

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Title:

METHOD OF AND SYSTEM FOR PRODUCING DIGITAL IMAGES OF OBJECTS WITH SUBSTANTIALLY REDUCED SPECKLE-NOISE PATTERNS BY ILLUMINATING SAID OBJECTS WITH SPATIALLY AND/OR TEMPORALLY COHERENT-REDUCED PLANAR LASER ILLUMINATION

Examiner

Ahshik Kim

Group Art Unit

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108-106USA000

Honorable Commissioner of Patents

and Trademarks Washington, DC 20231

PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME

Sir:

Pursuant to the provisions of 37 C.F.R. 1.136(a), Applicants request a two month extension of time in order to file the accompanying Response to Office Action dated August 13, 2003. The extended response time to file the Response to Office Action will expire on January 13, 2004.

The Commissioner is authorized to charge the requisite fee of \$420.00, as well as any other fee deficiencies or overpayments to Deposit Account No. 16-1340. A duplicate of this document is enclosed herewith.

Respectfully submitted,

Dated: January 13, 2004

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